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SUBJECT: MTCR: ASSURANCES OF MTCR CATEGORIZATION FOR BLACK
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Classified By: ESTH COUNSELOR ROBERT W. DRY.
REASONS: 1.4 (B), (D)

- [1](#)1. (S) ESTH Officer delivered note verbale in reftel to David Bertolotti, in the Bureau of Disarmament and Nonproliferation at the MFA, on January 9. In response, Bertolotti expressed his government's gratitude for the favorable result of USG deliberations on the missile system in question. Also, he said he hoped that the United States, the United Kingdom, and France would continue to work together in such a close and productive manner.
- [1](#)2. (S) However, Bertolotti advised that on January 8 he had received South Africa's proposal on the issue of modifying MTCR controls on UAV's and cruise missiles, and that South Africa's position on this issue conflicted with that of the United States and France (NFI). He further noted that he viewed Russia's position as an added obstacle to obtaining consensus on this issue (NFI).

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